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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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September 25, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR: ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI

FROM: LINCOLN P. BLOOMFIELD

SUBJECT: Department of State Request for Meeting
between Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Timerman

State has sent a rather half-hearted recommendation (which was, however approved in principal by both Christopher and Vance) that Mrs. Carter see the wife of the detained Argentine newspaper publisher Jacobo Timerman. ARA is opposed, but Patt Derian (who is after me in full cry) strongly recommends it. Bob Pastor thinks we should give the Argentines two more weeks to release Timerman, prospects being a little brighter now. Patt insists that Mrs. Carter be asked to make the decision. I feel the urgent need to pass the buck. (C)

RECOMMENDATION:

Option 1. Mrs. Carter sees Mrs. Timerman tomorrow (evidently the only possible day).

APPROVE _____

DISAPPROVE _____

Option 2. A visit be postponed to see if Timerman is released.
(We recommend Option 2.)

APPROVE 9/15/79 DISAPPROVE _____

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Review on 9/15/85

~~Department of State, A/GIS/IPS/SRP~~

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